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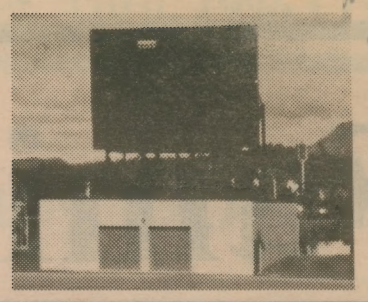

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Thousands of eggs to drop

Staff Writer

A message from the fans

At UVic on April5 there will be an egg drop for easter. The press release said it would be in the grassy area between the old sub and the Grad Lounge.

Almost 7 thousand eggs will be dropped from the sky, from an aircraft rented for the occasion and flown by Mr. Bunny. When people see the eggs they will start running around and jumping to catch the eggs. "It will be a lot of fun" said an *Areana* writer [[[TAKE THIS OUT, WE AREN'T SUPPOSED TO WRITE ABOUT OUR OWN EVENTS- NEWS EDITOR]]] who helped organize the egg drop.

The eggs were bought from a bunch of different chocolate companies. Some of them even have little prizes inside.

The Students' Society said they would not support the egg drop and would not be liable if someone got injured by a plummeting egg. One director who likes chocolate and bunnies said she might attend in a disguise so the other directors wouldn't recognize her through their windows.

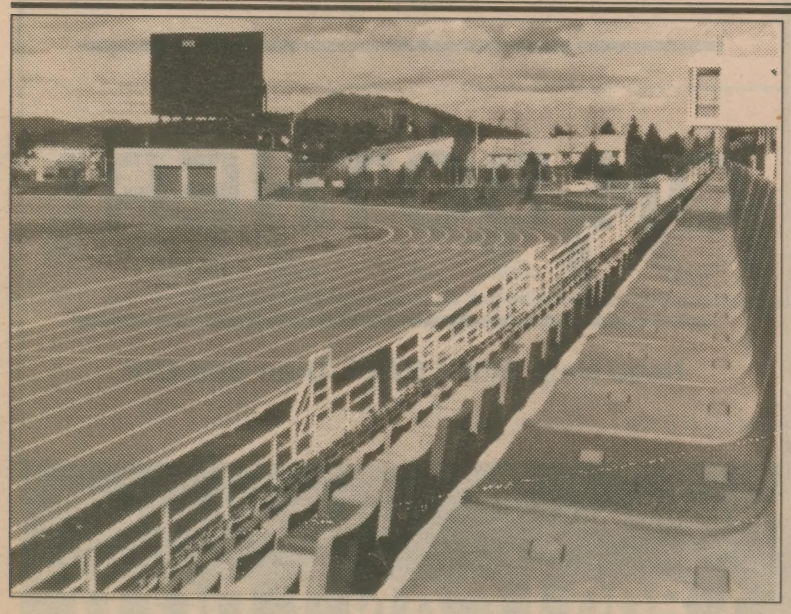
Mr. Bunny said he did not want to fly the plane because he wouln't get any eggs. A staff writer made him do it. "He made me [fly the plane]," Bunny said.

There were some omissions in the easter press release. As soon as we get another one, we will tell you what time Bunny will drop the eggs.

Several local chickens will picket the event. They want people to stop coloring eggs at Easter as it is "senseless murder." Henny Penny, spokeschicken, said the candy eggs represent the real ones so "they are just as bad".

President Strung said he was getting a big shopping bag so he could get more of the eggs than anyone. So, if you see a UVSS director in disguise or Dr. Strong with a big sack, follow them.

If you don't want to get hit you better bring an umbrella April 5 because no one important will listen if the eggs hurt you.



Woah! Another scoreboard!

Editorial

With the student population at UVic constantly expanding, it should be no surprise that the number of publications on campus is increasing. How else could the diverse interests of students be met?

Here at the Arena we intend to line our pockets with...uh...provide the best sports coverage on campus.

Some people have criticized us for being a "for profit" publication. Well with the economy the way it is, how else is a supposed to make a living?

You may not know who's behind this paper (hint: take one disgruntled ad-man and a couple of UVic public relations staff, and add a dose of opportunism). Anyway, don't sweat it, once you've seen the cover, viewed the photos, and read a few stories, you won't want to know.

Just ask our pals at CHEK 6. Their hard-hitting news team can tell you in their 'stories' how great the Arena is and how we're wiping out other on-campus publications.

Read the Arena (We've got to get rid of them somehow).

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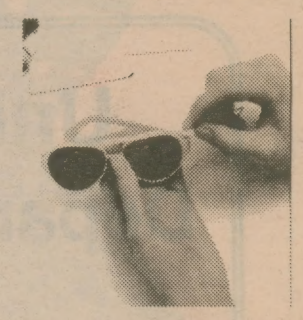

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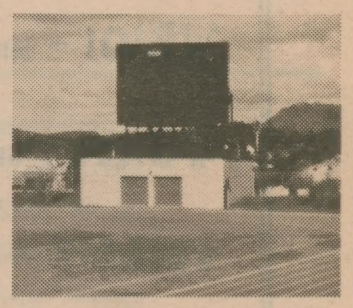

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Famine raises money

Staff Writer

The 30 hour famine started with a whimper at noon on monday.

"Their was only one person in the meeting room when the clock struck twelve"

Their was only one person in the meeting room when the clock struck twelvebut by the time it was all over, about a score of people had made it through.

This intrepid group starved themselfs for thirty hours by not eating to make money for starving kids in poor countries so that they can have money to buy food and eat.

They felt hungry after the 30 hours were up so, they had pizza donated by [unnown as of yet]. Said one fammine participant who

"It can cleanse your body of toxins and you can get a really cool T-shirt for doing it too!"

looked like she was enjoying herself, "Its fun and It's for a very worthy cause". Said another fasting student

"It can cleanse your body of toxins and you can get a really cool T-shirt for doing it too!" "I really don't know too much about it" said a field hockey player. Anyways, to recrap, they starved

"Their was only one person in the meeting room when the clock struck twelve"

themselfs for thirty hours and ate pizza afterwards and made a lot of money and had prizes.

UVic department to offer courses

Prof. Smith M.A.

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The gang here at the Arena, not ones to toot our own horns, would like to direct the students at the Universe of Victoria towards a fine and charming department. The Department of Well Being is located on campus and hails some of the most polished graduates in our sunny city. Each of the professors in the department attend Sir Wonder Laurier Finishing school in the old country prior to recieving tenure.

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Mercredi: federalism not relevant

by Adam Turner

Most Canadians are tired of the national unity debate, but for First Nations people, constitutional issues are vital for self-determination as a people.

National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, Ovide Mercredi, spoke of the connection between constitutional debate and the recognition of First Nations people March 29 at UVic.

"...there is not much hope for aboriginal communities."

Mercredi challenged some of the basic building blocks of Canadian society. Federalism, the basis of Canadian government, is "just an idea" Mercredi said. It is one that has "never been an important concept" for First Nations people. Those who see self-government for First Nations as being equal in power to provinces or municipalities are fundamentally mistaken, he said.

The 12:30 p.m. talk was put together at the last minute to give the UVic community a chance to hear Mercredi speak. Despite the last minute arrangements, Begbie 159 was packed with about 225 people.

Mercredi was in Victoria as a panelist for a discussion on "First Nations' role in enforcing International Environmental Law," which was held Saturday, March 30. He was given a moving welcoming ceremony to Salish territory by Ivan and Wayne Morris .

Mercredi made a thinly veiled attack on the BC Liberals "one law for all" land claims policy. Liberal leader Gordon Campbell has threatened to abrogate treaties like the recently signed Nisga'a agreement if First Nations are given what Campbell calls "special rights."

Mercredi said, "Unless we change the fundamental structure of the country," there is not much hope for aboriginal communities.

Mercredi joined the chorus of critics of the recent move to shift more powers to the provinces. "We are not a province," he said.

First Nations fought a 1969 proposal to shift responsibility for Native affairs to the provinces. He said the distinction between federal and provincial powers is foreign to First Nations experience and therefore not relevant.

Mercredi urged the audience to accept difference. "Individual rights are taken care of," he said. Canadians have to recognize the "collective identities" of First Nations People.

"I want to be who I am ... Cree," Mercredi said. He also wants to do it without having to separate from Canada.

Mercredi said the Canadian Charter of Rights, although valuable, doesn't recognize First Nations identity. "We didn't create it," said Mercredi. There is still "the pressure to be uniform."

During question period, a student asked why there is such resistance to collective rights. "It's not part of the right of discovery," Mercredi replied. He didn't have much sympathy for Quebec sovereigntists, and said Quebec sovereignty would just mean exchanging one dominant power for another.

One student challenged Mercredi to spell out what self-government means, perhaps in a book. After jokingly responding that he hasn't time to read a book, Mercredi replied, "People don't listen," and said First Nations representatives have already articulated their visions. However, he failed to outline his proposals for self-government.

Mercredi ended question period by accusing most of his audience of being part of the problem. "Law schools contribute to uniformity," he said. The fundamental principle is to recognize the "right to be different. The rule of law should not mean one culture dominating another." ❑

Assembly of First Nations National Chief Ovide Mercredi speaks on First Nations and national unity.

Andrew Lupton photo

McKinnon canned on April Fool's Day

by Adam Turner

Ross McKinnon, UVSS administrative coordinator, received an unpleasant April Fool's Day surprise when he was fired at the society's April 1 Board of Director's meeting.

The board had an intense debate during an in-camera session lasting almost two hours. In-camera sessions are closed to the public and deal only with personnel committee issues.

All directors were present at the meeting. Only Ian Flemington, director of finance, said he was opposed to firing McKinnon. Lisa Jepp was the only director at large who abstained, while the eight other BoD members voted for the decision. The wording of the decision was terse but dramatic. The BoD resolved that the employment of Ross McKinnon "be terminated, effective immediately."

The UVSS gave no reason for the dismissal. Any discussion of the reasons for McKinnon's dismissal would be "breaking employee confidentiality," said Theresa Sabourin, director of services.

Angie Sorrell, Steelworker president, said Union members were "shocked" with the decision. Sorrell said she "can't say exactly" but she thinks the reason for firing McKinnon resulted from the controversy over the hiring of the chief electoral officer for this year's BoD elections.

Sorrell said the board of directors fired McKinnon because they "have felt that he isn't on their side" and "can't trust his decisions."

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McKinnon was informed verbally of the decision Monday night before the meeting. He was notified officially of the decision in a letter the following Tuesday morning. McKinnon cleared out his office and left campus this morning and was unavailable for comment.

Tina Walker, UVSS chair, was confident the board made the right decision to fire McKinnon. "I do believe that the BoD made the decision in the best interests of the society," she said. Walker refused to discuss the details because it would violate the confidentiality of McKinnon's work performance.

Sabourin said anyone who voted in favour of the decision to fire McKinnon "does not take a decision like this lightly."

The decision is not being taken lightly by workers in the SUB. Sorrell said the Steelworkers Union considers firing McKinnon an "unjust dismissal."

The Union will be appealing to university administration for "what we consider financial mismanagement and possible corruption." There will be a court petition under section 86 of the societies act. The provincial act governs the legal responsibilities of non-profit societies. Anyone may challenge the board of directors of a society if there are great irregularities. However, courts usually only intervene in the case of enormous corruption or mismanagement.

The process requires lawyers as representatives and affidavits (legal statements) from the involved parties. The courts review the materials and pass judgment, but rarely intervene.

Tracy Deans, director of finance candidate for this year's election, is taking the political route to challenge the board. She is helping organize a special general meeting to reverse the decision and question other UVSS practices.

Deans, who works as a server at Felicita's, is "frustrated with the gross abuse of power without any consultation of the general student body." She thinks it's inappropriate that the BoD has the "power to arbitrarily fire the administrative coordinator."

"The decision is not being taken lightly by workers in the SUB."

The petition for a special general meeting requires 1,500 signatures. The goal, said Deans, is the reinstatement of McKinnon and the impeachment of Walker, Sabourin and Ana Torres — all currently paid executives of the UVSS.

Sorrell said she expects McKinnon to win his case against the board of directors. The Board is confident however. Sabourin said the UVSS "sought legal counsel and followed process to a T."

Sabourin said "reaction will be mixed" to the decision. She said the decision will impact mainly on those who have "a working relationship" with McKinnon.

Kenzie Bigham, longtime UVSS bookkeeper, said she is "very worried about the Students' Society." Bigham had hoped that the new building would mean "a new era" but in fact "nothing has changed."

The Students' Society became autonomous from the University in 1989. Bigham is surprised student representatives don't use the administrative coordinator "as a mentor" instead of contradicting building management. The coordinator is a full-time professional responsible for overseeing UVSS operations.

Bigham fears money will go towards legal fees instead of paying SUB workers. The UVSS and the Steelworkers will be starting contract talks, but not before the new board of directors takes over May 1. The election results are still in dispute at this point and the results are not official.

"It's so sad," said Bigham. "The Students' Society has such potential for all students and staff." ❑

New committee to take responsibility for UVic waste

by Gefen Bar-On

Integration of on-campus environmental groups is necessary to create an environmentally active and aware campus, said Bruce Carron from the Ecological Technology Centre at UVic. Carron is currently working with other students to establish a UVic Environmental Committee.

The aim of this new Committee is to facilitate cooperation among campus and non-campus members and groups, and to integrate their environmental concerns to promote sustainable practices on campus.

The committee will focus on issues including water and electricity use on campus, recycling and composting.

"We will take responsibility for the damage to the environment done on campus," said Carron.

Carron thinks fragmentation is the main problem of the environmental movement at present. "There is a lot of environmental concern out there on campus, but it is fragmented and divided among many different organizations. There is no physical space to work together and collaborate."

A committee coordinating environmental issues and activities on campus will create a sense of responsibility among students, faculty and administration and inspire people to activism, Carron said.

Membership in the Environmental Committee is open. Every organization and every person on campus with environmental concerns is welcome to be a member.

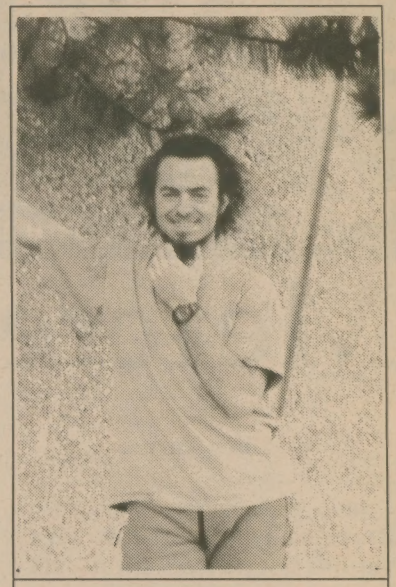
During the March 4 UVSS Board of Directors meeting, Carron asked the BoD to support the committee. Responses to Carron's presentation to the UVSS were generally positive, though some doubts and questions were raised.

Director Julie Lewis feared that people already strongly involved in environmental committees would not have the time to commit themselves to more meetings and activities involved with the Environmental Committee.

The Environmental Committee will be organizing campus events, such as an Environment Awareness Week next fall. These events will present some overall perspectives on the environment on campus, and enable people to work together.

"We hope that with the Environmental Committee, UVic will become a leading campus in environmental care and sustainable practices," said Carron. "With our integrated efforts we will be able to serve as an example for others."❑

Students interested in getting involved can e-mail Bruce Carron at bcarron@engr.uvic.ca.



Bruce Carron
Steve Vander Wal photo

Green Party nominees get down to the grass roots

by Stephen R. Wells

General nominations for candidates in the Victoria Regional Association of the BC Green Party were held Saturday, March 25 at the 1996 Annual General Meeting.

Stephen De Meulenaere, last year's Interim Executive Director of VIPIRG at UVic and founder/administrator of the Local Exchange Trading System (LETS) of Victoria, was nominated for the Victoria-Beacon Hill constituency. De Meulenaere was also instrumental in establishing the Alternative Economics Committee, which recently held the 'Real World Economics Teach-in.'

"The Green Party offers a vision of community-based local economies in which people can take control over what goes on in their area," said De Meulenaere.

According to De Meulenaere, by creating a regionally scaled economic exchange system (such as his own LETS), people will have more liquidity and ability to meet their own needs. The system involves a list of people with offers or requests in trade who can fulfill each other's economic needs. An internal currency called "LETS credit" allows the involved parties to exchange their own services for other's without the need for Canadian currency.

"In the regular economy, money is scarce," De Meulenaere noted.

LETS provides a system of trade outside the normal economy, enabling people to trade service for service. This reduces the need for cashflow between businesses until the product reaches the general market.

"If we intend to keep BC a 'have' province we must put Greens in our legislature"

"By building supportive economic networks, we can increase employment, reduce pollution, keep our own businesses going, scale production and distribution to the local level, ensure the right decisions are made and make our communities a safe and enjoyable place to live," said De Meulenaere.

As a part of the Green Party, De Meulenaere supports sustainability in all forms, including economic sustainability, resource preservation and ecological preservation. He hopes this will preserve resources internationally.

Victoria-Hillside candidate David White pushed for democratic reform in his acceptance speech at the Greens' AGM.

"We've reached the crossroads where politics will become more democratic and address the pressing global issues, or continue to become more authoritarian, controlled by multinationals, and less considerate to an integrated approach to our dilemma."

White is a long-time environmental activist, high school teacher, former chairman of the British Columbia Environmental Network, and president of the Victoria chapter of the Sierra Club.

Lenora Burke, Oak Bay-Gordon Head candidate, said, "British Columbia has always been a 'have' province. This is so because we are a province with natural resources, rapidly dwindling though they may be. If we intend to keep BC a 'have' province we must put Greens in our legislature."

According to Burke, the government is not taking responsibility for it's actions.

"Government has, thus far, failed to bear the distinct ecological, social, and economic needs of BC in mind when creating and implementing legislation, environmental or otherwise," said Burke. "There is an alternative to tradition. By putting a Green member in the legislature, British Columbia will be setting an example for the rest of the country."

South Saanich candidate Jack Etkin is an ESL teacher and environmental activist. According to Etkin,the will of the people has been ignored in favour of the corporate agenda.

"We are being ruled by big business and their agenda will impoverish us"

"I believe in democracy, the right of an informed public to chart its own course and choose its own future. We've lost that in Canada. We are being ruled by big business and their agenda will impoverish us. The Campbell Liberals are a part of the problem. The NDP is mired in the past, still giving us billion-dollar highway projects and massive destruction by the forest industry," Etkin said. "It's time for a change."

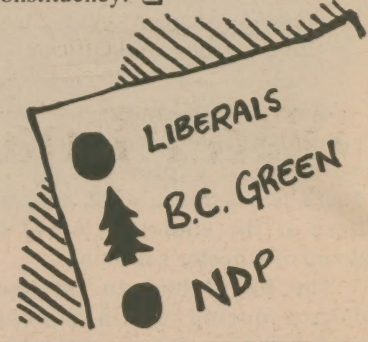
Esquimalt-Metchosin candidate Adam Charlesworth stated, "I am not running in Esquimalt to attack Moe Sihota's record as environment minister. I am running to offer my constituents solid representation and a comprehensive platform that will balance our budget, preserve our social safety net and put British Columbians back to work."

Green Party Municipal Affairs critic Wally du Temple has been nominated to represent his party in the Saanich-North and the Islands constituency.

The former high school principal and liberal party activist is supporting growth caps for small communities like Salt Spring Island to preserve 'rural character.'

"One of the aspects of the Greens that is so appealing is that the party is not an urban organization. With over half the members coming from rural BC, the BC Greens, unlike BC Reform represent an agenda that really appeals to those fighting the suburbanization of their communities."

Candidates were nominated for the constituencies of Victoria-Beacon Hill, Victoria-Hillside, Oak Bay-Gordon Head, South Saanich, Esquimalt-Metchosin, Saanich North and the Islands. No candidate has yet been nominated for the Malahat-Juan de Fuca constituency. ❑



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No end to UVSS Board of Director appeals

by Richard Carlson

The appeals over the UVSS election may last longer than the campaigning.

Tim McGuire, disqualified Director of Finance candidate, dropped aseven-page memorandum at the April 1 Board of Directors meeting detailing his objections.

The Electoral Committee disqualified McGuire for an e-mail message sent out to commerce students on March 11, 1996. The message was an list of candidates endorsed by the Commerce Students' Society.

...it was "ridiculous to assume we would be seeking advice before we knew what we would be seeking advice on"

According to the Electoral Committee, there was one problem – many people did not receive the message until March 12, the day polling started. According to UVSS Electoral Policy, no campaigning is allowed after polling begins, and all endorsement lists must be published at least a week prior to polling.

McGuire does not think there was reason for his disqualification. "In the eyes of law," wrote McGuire, "as soon as an item is mailed, and out of the hands of the mailer, it is considered to be received by the receiver." He also claimed he could not control when people read the message.

Co-Chief Electoral Officer Tom Sluchinski originally gave McGuire permission to send the message by e-mail on March 4, as long as it wasn't published. McGuire feels the message is legal because an "e-mail is not published, but is rather sent, much like a personal letter," and because the date it was sent was before polling began.

The Chief Electoral Officers — staff members hired by the board to run the election — allowed McGuire to stand for the election. The Electoral Committee, composed of three members of the BoD, then overturned the decision of the Chief Electoral Officers and disqualified McGuire. Shortly afterwards, Shelley Motz, one of the CEOs, resigned her position.

At the April 1 board meeting, the BoD tabled the appeal until the next meeting – Thursday, April 4 at 5pm. Ana Torres, Director of Academics, moved the motion. She wanted to wait "until we have consulted someone" over McGuire's appeal.

When asked why they had not consulted a lawyer yet, Director at Large Julie Lewis waved McGuire's large memo in the air and said it was "ridiculous to assume we would be seeking advice before we know what we would be seeking advice on."

Colin Brown, McGuire's agent, was not upset the appeal was delayed. "If you are met with a large amount of material, you should seek counsel to come to a decision," said Brown.

Timing is the biggest obstacle with the appeal. With legal arguments being prepared for both sides, this could drag out for quite some time. The present board only sits until the end of April. Tom Sluchinski, the only Chief Electoral Officer still around, will be leaving the country after this week.

The UVSS may be in the unique position of not having an elected board starting in May.

Ross Fired

There were other contentious issues at this week's meeting. After a two-hour in-camera meeting, Ross McKinnon, the Student Union Building Administrative Coordinator, was fired by the board.

No reasons were given for the firing. McKinnon was hired in June by the same board that fired him. He was the fifth person to hold the position since January, 1989. ❑

Please see McKinnon, cover, for more details.

Colin Brown, Tim McGuire's legal representative, pleads his case to the UVSS BoD meeting April Fool's Day.
Andrew Lupton photo

Therea Sabourin, UVSS Director of Services, removing anti-BoD banner.
Kathryn Saunders photo

Water Board seeks to control valuable catchment lands

by Patricia Edmonds and Matt Heemskerk

A proposal by the Greater Victoria Water Board has created controversy about land swaps in Sooke Hills.

On April 2, 1996, Councillor David McLean, Greater Victoria Water Board chair, put forth a proposal for the future of non-catchment and catchment lands in the Sooke Hills area. The mandate of the water district is "to control catchment lands to protect our high quality water source." Catchment lands are areas drained by a river system.

The province owns a small portion of the Judge Creek Watershed within the catchment boundary. It wants to trade these lands for the surplus land in the Niagara Creek Watershed which would be added to nearby Goldstream Park.

The proposal involves giving Kapoor Lumber Company the Waugh Creek Watershed for land in the catchment area that has been logged for the past 75 years.

Members of the mainstream press seemed disinterested in the Water Board proposals.

"Kapoor has trashed their own lands within the catchment area compromising water quality and wildlife habitat," said Misty MacDuffee of the Western Canada Wilderness Committee. The Waugh is a crucial component of the Sea-to-Sea Greenbelt Society's and Western Canada Wilderness Committee's vision of a sea-to-sea wilderness area.

The Victoria Water District is not currently considering other options to obtain the catchment lands McLean said.

It could purchase the lands outright with the land acquisition fund or use the powers of expropriation to secure them. The land acquisition fund is currently being used to fund capital works projects like raising the dam in the Sooke Reservoir.

At the meeting, McLean was flustered by questions from the public and showed hostility towards Ray Zimmermann of the Greenbelt Society. McLean limited the question period and failed to address issues raised by those present.

Members of the mainstream press seemed disinterested in the Water Board proposals. UVic student Derry Perkin said, "the press should be asking questions that the public want answered and not catering to McLean's agenda."

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The Victoria Water District said review meetings will be held to "give the public an opportunity to be fully informed about the issues of the various options, to ask questions and to submit information to the District."

When asked if the board would hold a public hearing on the issue, McLean was unwilling to respond. He was also reluctant to say when the public would receive notice for any meeting. ❑

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National News

by Vanessa Benedek

TORONTO (CUP) — Members of the gay and lesbian community are sceptical about the federal government's promise to introduce anti-sexual-discrimination laws.

Prime Minister Jean Chrétien pledged on March 20 to introduce legislation before the next federal election banning discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

The announcement came on the heels of the Canadian Human Rights Commission's annual report to Parliament stating that the federal government was lagging in its promise to enact such legislation.

Chrétien had promised to introduce a law banning discrimination against gays and lesbians immediately after winning the election. But the Liberal government has yet to live up to that promise.

Christine Donald, spokesperson for the Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Rights, said that Chrétien finally decided to act because of the flak he was getting for not fulfilling his campaign promise.

"It is not a matter of justice or human rights, it is a matter of looking good on camera and catching votes," she said.

Currently, the Canadian Human Rights Act does not explicitly protect gays and lesbians against discrimination. It bans discrimination by the federal government on the grounds of age, sex, race, religion and disability.

However, Chrétien's proposal would add sexual orientation to the list.

According to Mervin Witter, director of the Human Rights Commission, Liberal and Tory federal justice ministers have promised repeatedly to amend clauses of the Human Rights Act to include protection for gays and lesbians. None of them, however, has come through.

Alision Kemper, executive director at the 519 Church Street Community Centre, believes the Liberals will introduce the legislation, but whether it will pass through the House is another issue.

"It has taken many years to make this legislation inescapable but they have only promised to introduce it and not to pass it," she said.

For this reason, Kyle Rae, city councilor for Ward 6, wants the Liberals to instruct its members to vote with their party. He added that the federal government's empty promises have disappointed him in the past.

Rae said that people who are against the legislation because they say it gives gays special rights misunderstand the situation.

"This issue is being misrepresented by certain people who do not understand that basic protection is not special rights," he said.

Paul Goldman, a coordinator of Lesbians, Gays and Bi-Sexuals of the University of Toronto (LGBOUT), says he has faith in the Liberal government's good intentions and believes that legislation will be passed before their term is up.

"I think [Chrétien] has realized that the gay population is a significant one with a strong voice, that being complacent does not win you any votes and that taking a stand might win him respect," he said.

Bonnie Minnema, a volunteer at LGBOUT, is very sceptical about whether the bill will pass.

"I hope that this will start leading to similar rights and protection under the law that others have and to full equality in Canadian society," she said.

Minnema said she is encouraging people to call their MPs to show support for the bill.

The federal government will not necessarily be breaking any new ground by introducing the legislation. Seven of the 10 provinces have passed similar legislation prohibiting discrimination against gays and lesbians.

Also, judicial decisions by the Ontario Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court have interpreted the Canadian Human Rights Act to be applied as if it contained the words sexual orientation. ❑

PARTING WORDZ FROM YOUR OUTGOING STAFF...

ADE - "WHEN IN DOUBT, WEAR A HAT."

MEESHA - "Calona Baka riko salana patta mia."

MIKO - "Bye!"

MARTLET STAFF!!

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Coalition fast against cuts

by Janice Golding

TORONTO (CUP) — March 28 marked day 21 in a series of rotational 24-hour fasts by members of a coalition protesting the actions and policies of the Conservative government.

"I think we would like to keep going until we fast this government out of existence," said Michele Leslie, a community activist and member of the Hungerstrike Against. She said people are participating in the fasts to show support for those hurt most by Conservative government cuts.

"People are doing this in solidarity with people who are made to go hungry because of the policies of the Harris government," said Leslie.

Since coming to power in June, the Conservative government slashed welfare rates by 20 per cent and cut funding to social agencies.

The idea for the hunger strike came up at a Waterloo forum on responses to the Harris government.

David Fingrut, a member of the theatre troupe Mixed Company and the first to participate in the fast, said he and others were concerned about the negative media coverage of February's student protest at Queen's Park. The major media either ignored the event or unfairly portrayed it as a violent demonstration, he said.

The nonviolent nature of the hunger strike should address this problem Fingrut said.

"[Participants want to show] solidarity with the people who are harmed by the so-called 'Common Sense Revolution' in a way that couldn't possibly be misconstrued by the mainstream media as violent," he said.

Leslie said that by having a rotational hunger strike, organizers are able to involve as many people in the action as possible.

Reverend Brian Burch, who fasted on the third day, said it is difficult to get someone to fast for an extended period of time.

"[But] it is relatively easy to get 60 or 70 people to participate for one day," he said.

Participants have included students, environmentalists, and members of the religious community and social justice groups.

Fingrut said the hunger strike will make a difference in the province.

"If one person undertakes an act of selfless dedication towards a social justice cause, I think that in itself does make a difference," he said. "And through undertaking this fast we are creating a grassroots network of citizens across Ontario who are opposed to the policies of the current provincial government."

Harris' press secretary Bob Reid said that while the premier understands and respects the rights of people to protest and voice their opinions, he is disappointed that some participants are not clear on the reasons behind some of the measures the government has been forced to take.

He added that the government is not targeting the poor, the disabled, or other vulnerable groups.

"It is precisely an effort to preserve support programs and safety nets for the most vulnerable in our society that the government has had to move to reduce runaway spending," Reid said. He added that the government is not targeting the poor, the disabled, or other vulnerable groups.

But Burch said the participants understand exactly what Harris is trying to do.

"He is deliberately and premeditatively working towards driving people out of their homes. He is trying very hard and deliberately to break unions, and he's trying very hard and deliberately to ensure that only the rich can go to university in this province." ❑

Maureen Maier plays judge at the Amnesty International Protest against capital punishment

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EDITORIAL

Support not-for-profit campus papers

A woman and her mother sit in the waiting room at Health Services. The mother picks up a copy of *the Stadium* and asks, "Is this the UVic paper?"

Her daughter says, "No. The student paper is called *the Martlet*."

Students of the University of Victoria have published *the Martlet* since 1948. Today, we are an editorially and financially autonomous collective, and a long-time member of Canadian University Press. Our purpose is to function as an alternative press and an agent of constructive social change.

Contrary to recent reports on CHEK 6 news and local radio, there is no newspaper war between *the Martlet* and *the Stadium*. Saying there is a war indicates that one publication feels threatened by the other.

We ARE in competition with privately run publications that are more interested in making money than reporting news. But mass media is a competitive industry, and it's difficult for alternative publications to maintain a foothold.

With such a selection of glossy, mainstream newspapers and magazines available, fanzines, "alternative" newspapers and advocacy journalism often gets railroaded. University campuses are one of the few places where the alternative press has traditionally had a strong voice.

Since August, 1995, *the Stadium* has published monthly and been distributed on campus. Not only has this paper completely shirked its "sports newspaper" mandate, but it is a privately owned publication, written and produced primarily by non-students.

It receives the same distribution space as *Vibes, the Emily*, or *the Essence*. It also pursues the same advertising market as *the Martlet*, and other not-for-profit campus publications.

UVic Public Relations does not allow non-student, for-profit publications to distribute on-campus, but for some reason, *the Stadium* is exempt from this regulation. Perhaps it's no coincidence that Public Relations employees are contributing to *the Stadium*.

When it comes down to it, a newspaper's success is contingent on its pickup rate, its readership, and its reputation. If you like *the Martlet*, great. If you don't, support *the Emily, Vibes, Offbeat, the Essence, the BaG*...just remember to support a true student publication.

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Violent reaction to march

Editors:

March 21st, the UN Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, an incident occurred during the anti-racism rally/march organized by the UVic Women of Colour Collective. We felt it was important to march through the Faculty club where many of the key decision/policy makers on this campus dine. While we stood and chanted, diners rolled their eyes, smirked and laughed. As I moved towards the exit chanting "Hey Hey Ho Ho Racism Has Got To Go!", an elderly man yelled at me: "racism doesn't have to go, I'm proud to be a racist!" He raised his cane and shoved it underneath my megaphone so that it hit me in the mouth. He laughed while I stood there shaking with shock and pain. I hadn't expected such a violent reaction to a peaceful demonstration. More shocking was the hatred in his eyes as he raised his cane, transforming it into a weapon. If I hadn't moved away he might have struck me again.

Not one single "diner" protested this violent act. These are the men and women from we are receiving our education. Now you tell me, is there really no such thing as racism at UVic?

Amal Rana
Member, UVic Women of Colour Collective

Question the backlash

Editors:

We want to thank the United Coalition Against Racism for organizing a stirring rally. The poster campaign was great - it was necessarily blunt and extremely powerful. It challenges white people, like us four women, who need to recognize and take responsibility for our racial privilege.

Prince Nallo, in his speech at the rally, said that one day being designated by the UN to fight racism is absolutely ridiculous - an anti-racism agenda should be incorporated into every day of our lives. If anti-racism is to be on the agenda every day of your life, then things must begin to change. As individuals we have a responsibility to actively fight racism. Look at yourself, your position, your privilege. Don't simply be defensive: be open to challenging your own behaviors and attitudes. Ask that other people do the same.

And when there is a rally planned, workshops, informational tables offered to you - PAY ATTENTION. No one can educate you better than you can.

If there is a backlash against anti-racism events on campus, ASK YOURSELF WHY?!!...

Julie Vincent, Alexis Phillips, Alison Longmore, Marisa Lousier

Keeping an open mind

Editors:

Re: New BoD Diverse

The Lesbian Gay Bisexual Alliance has yet to make an official statement concerning the makeup of the new UVSS Board of Directors. Kelly Sundberg talked to a single member of the LGBA, whose concerns do not necessarily represent those of the LGBA in general. Speaking as the newly elected LGBA Constituency Representative to the UVSS BoD I intend to approach the coming year with an open mind.

Daniel Cunningham
Director of Finance/Director of Social Affairs - LGBA

Ignorance disheartening

Editors:

As students who attended a number of events during ant-racism week, we are writing to congratulate the organizers on a job well done. During the week we heard many people discussing the anti-racism posters put up across campus, or issues raised at the forums, workshops and rally.

While some white people may have felt uncomfortable having their attention more focused on racism than usual we, as white women, fully support events which make white people question their own privilege, power, and misconceptions about people of colour and racism.

During the rally and march on March 21, we, and many other people there, were shocked at the hateful comments and physical harassment some of the people of colour on the march were subjected to by racist white onlookers. To see the lengths to which some white people are willing to go to defend their ignorance was disheartening but very eye-opening. What we saw reinforced our belief that this campus is not a safe place for people of colour, and strengthened our support for the demands made of the university administration to address racism that is definitely here on campus.

Bigotry, hatred, and ignorance are nothing to be proud of.

Mira Goldberg and lisa j lander

Fed up with campus politics

Editors:

And to think most of us thought the student elections here at UVic were over. Not so, in fact the games and abuses are still continuing. It is obvious that the political left realizes that its reign of terror is over for at least a year. It seems now that their strategy is to counteract the wishes of the democratic process.

To over-rule the Chief Electoral Officers and allow unstamped ballots to now be counted is a farce, and would not even be an issue if Sarah Burgess had won her election. It goes against precedent, written procedures, and the spirit of democracy. It is a safeguard against ballot box stuffing, plain and simple. End of story.

That Tathra Street and current UVSS Chair Tina Walker, who were both members of the Electoral Committee, can reverse their decision without even explaining why is a travesty. I won't even go into the conflict-of-interest implications. As well, we have the Director of Finance ballot fiasco still in limbo and it is clear that the left is running scared. Just count the ballots and let the students decide with their democratic right.

It is no wonder that students get fed up with campus politics. It is no wonder that voter turnout is so low.

Dean Chan

The Martlet

Quote of the week:

"If no news is good news, then bad news'll do."

—*the Martlet*, March 22, 1972.

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Centre addresses allegations

Editors:

Interestingly, Kelly Sundberg has ignorantly taken it upon himself to speak for the Women's Centre (re: "new BoD diverse," March 21 '96). We would like to take this opportunity to address his uninformed allegations.

Obviously, Kelly doesn't know the difference between organisations of the UVSS and individual members of those organisations. An individual may only speak on behalf of an organisation with the consent of its members. To our knowledge, the Women's Centre as an organisation has not spoken of our concerns regarding the UVSS elections with Kelly (nor has he asked for our opinion). Indeed, since he insists on targeting the Women's Centre and the Constituency Representatives on the upcoming BoD, we must in turn question his "true political agenda."

Another issue that needs clarification is how election endorsements are attained. Individuals must request organisations to endorse them. For the Women's Centre to endorse someone without their consent would be a violation of that person's rights and autonomy. Kelly, you may question our endorsement of candidates, but perhaps your time would be better spent educating yourself as to electoral procedures and the structure of the UVSS. Through your misinformed and unsubstantiated accusations, you have shown your utter ignorance as to process and consultation.

We suggest that you educate and inform yourself before you speak on anyone's behalf!

Stacey Tabert
Volunteer Coordinator on behalf of the Women's Centre Collective

Why do you care?

Editors:

Is Steve Fitterer, Manager of Residence Life and Assignments a relative of Jim Fitterer, Beverage and Services division Manager?

Just wondering.

K. Walsh

Way to go Joel!

Editors:

On April 30, my one-year terms on the Board of Governors and University Senate come to an end, and I will pass these portfolios over to others. Before I do so, however, I wanted to take this public opportunity to report on some of my activities over the past twelve months.

For those unfamiliar with what these bodies do, the Senate is responsible for most academic regulations (including grading policy), while the Board takes on the university budget, more general policy questions, final approval of hiring decisions, and the like.

Last year I promised to work for fair representation at UVic. And I have, introducing measures to increase student representation and involvement, and sponsoring procedures to respect the diversity of religious and cultural backgrounds at UVic. I worked to ensure the Bus Pass Subsidy referendum was upheld as intended, and that students with disabilities weren't penalized through their parking fees.

I've also sponsored resolutions making it easier for students to stand for office, blocking the arbitrary application of graduating standards and calculation of failing grades, and recognizing the UN Day for Eliminating Racial Discrimination at UVic.

Last year I promised to be your advocate. I was the only student to vote against last year's tuition fee hikes, and against increases this year to residence rentals.

Joel Freedman

Dave praises Musgrave

Editors:

I would like to say Andrew Musgrave's UVic Year in Review (cartoon feature, March 28), was one of the best things I've seen printed on campus in years.

Dave Garrison
former co-editor of *the Martlet*
& founder of *the BaG*.

Student voice perplexing

Editors:

I was left perplexed after reading Tracy Deans' "Student Voice" in your last issue. She protested the anti-racism march through Felicita's on the grounds that it was itself an act of racism, in fact one of "pure malicious intent." Her position is quite confusing: she first argues that "to say only white people can be racist is a racist comment" (and claiming this for the protesters, thus names them racist), but then expresses her indignation at being "presumed" white by the marchers.

Even if we accept her assumption that the marchers were declaring Felicita's a racist establishment by including it on their route, (and I suggest her assumption is incorrect) how then does the fact of her presence as a person who is "not 100 per cent white" preclude everyone in the bar, including herself, from racism, in the context of her argument that it is not an exclusively white phenomena? Her suggestion that the demonstration constructed a false, indeed hypocritical dichotomy of non-racist, non-white marchers vrs. white racists (any observer?) becomes even more incongruous since many of the marchers were white.

In the midst of all her objections, she misses the point: racism is systemic, and thus encompasses all of us. In taking a stand against racial discrimination, the marchers were empowering themselves, not condemning her. She was free to respond to them however she chose. Rather than seeing herself as the target of the protest, why didn't she applaud it, since she seems to so passionately oppose racism in all forms? Or better yet, join in?

Krista Robertson

Work, not welfare

Editors:

Re: "Falling Without a Net" by Mary Vallis.

Welfare was conceived during the Great Depression of the 30's to help to get people back on their feet, and most importantly, to prevent them from starving. Today, there are vast numbers of second and third generation welfare users who feel it's their right to receive money from the government in exchange for absolutely nothing. The idea of it being a temporary measure while they look for work is completely lost. Of course, there are exceptions such as the obvious abandoned-mother-with-children situation, which is sad in itself, and I have little issue with those people. However, where I have a really big problem is with people my own age, men and (unburdened) women, who have undeniably, no excuse for being out of work.

The illustration that accompanies the article makes me want to puke! The man on the left side saying "I can't find any work!" - to you I say: BULLSHIT!!! I'll take you to the restaurant where I work and I'll get you a dishwashing job on the spot (and if you think you're too cool to be washing dishes, then you're too cool to be collecting handouts).

James Pengilly

Thanks to coalition

Editors:

As a white (mixed European ancestry) member of the United Coalition Against Racism I would like say thanks to everyone who worked on the Coalition and on the weeks events. I really learned alot and was glad to be able to contribute. I think it is important that we all challenge our assumptions about race and ethnicity. I found myself feeling defensive sometimes and realized that this was a definite sign that i needed to look at myself and my own racism. I highly recomend "Cultural Etiqutte- a Guide for the Well Intentioned". When i first looked at it i thought it had a harsh tone but then i realized if i was subject to racism on a daily basis i'd be pretty angry too and that we shouldn't need a "nice" message to be able to hear it. Some of the quotes on posters around campus were taken from this book. (Copies available through the UVSS Resource Center.)

I also want to point out that the cold reception the Anti-Racism Rally received at the Faculty Club and Felicita's are ugly signs of the racism at UVic. It's not enough to say I'm not racist. Get involved!

Tathra Street
UVSS, LGBA, VIPIRG

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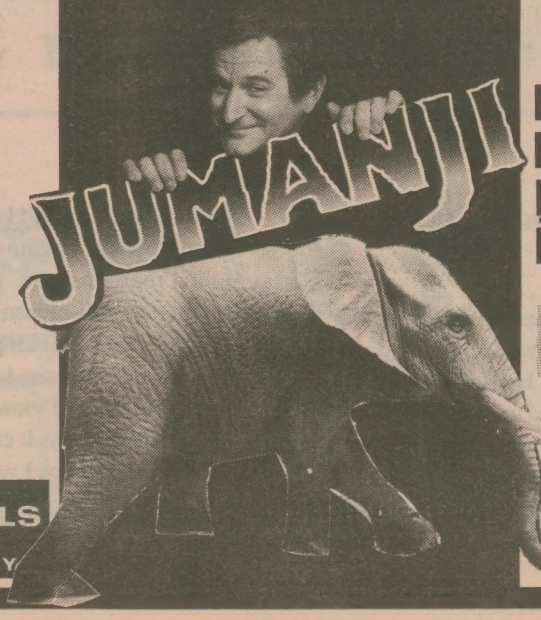

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I MEAN, WHO DO THESE PEOPLE THINK THEY ARE, ANYWAY?

by Alison, Julie, Alexis and Marisa

Well, if you didn't happen to witness the segregation of some 80 washrooms on campus on March 21, then you missed out on an interesting anti-racism exercise. It was designed by a group of students (yup, that was us...four white women) for a school project in the wake of the **United Nations Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination**.

For those of you who entered either the women's or men's washrooms BEFORE the bright blue posters were removed you saw this:

On the door: **March 21st, UN Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination**
On the majority of stalls/urinals: **"This toilet is RESERVED for those with BROWN EYES"**
On the remaining one or two: **"Those with Blue or Green eyes MUST use this toilet ONLY"**

On the inside of each stall or next to each urinal, an **informational poster** explained what we were doing and why we were doing it. Here's a brief list of our goals:

* to try to make people aware of how racism affects and involves all of us on a personal level;
* to link racism to our growing economy, which uses globalization to exploit women and children of the "Third World" in order to benefit US here in "Western" society;
* to challenge the overbearing power structure of white privilege.

This made some of you think. It made others really uncomfortable, even angry. Well, that was the point. Segregating the washrooms according to eye colour might have seemed like an attempt to trivialize racism as an issue, but this was never our intention. This was NOT an anti-white campaign.

Eye colour is not a neutral category. Blue or green eyes are a recessive gene to dominant brown eyes. Therefore brown eyes are a dominant majority worldwide. Furthermore, white people only make up approximately 1/5 of global population, so we are a worldwide genetic minority and yet we still have far more than our share of power and privilege.

We wanted to destabilize a global power structure that makes a **minority** group into a **majority**. In other words, by segregating the washrooms this way, we wanted to question the basis upon which categories such as race are created.

WHY did we target white privilege? Because it's time to CHALLENGE IT!!! People of colour cannot be racist because they lack the institutional power that it takes to be RACIST. This is not to say that people of colour cannot act in an oppressive way. People of colour may be racialist, nationalist or ethnocentric but these have to be understood as by-products of colonialism and imperialism and their divide-and-conquer tactics. Our aim was to destablize the current global structure of power, which has been used historically to discriminate against people of colour and continues to do so today. Racism must be placed in a historical context to be understood in the present.

"Racism—simple enough in structure, yet difficult to eliminate. Racism is pervasive to the point that we take many of its manifestations for granted, believing, 'that's life'. Many believe that racism can be dealt with effectively in one hellifying anti-racist workshop, or one hour-long heated discussion. Many actually believe this monster, racism, that has had at least a few hundred years to take root, grow, invade our space and develop subtle variations ...this mind-funk that distorts thought and action, can be merely wished away."

Gloria Yamato

"Something About the Subject Makes it Hard to Name"

REVERSE RACISTS Anonymous
hi... I'm a recovering reverse racist... three days ago i broke down and called a white person a cock*...
* derogatory slang for caucasian person

A White Woman's View

by Nicole Verkerk

The anti-racism march left me feeling many things: empowered, excited, and proud of what I had done. It also helped awaken my conscience and started me on a life-long journey to make racism my issue and do everything I can to fight against it. Recognizing my own white privilege has been a first step. When it was first suggested that there should be a centre spread about the week against racism, one of my initial reactions was: why should we drag it out...the anti-racism week was last week. Perhaps I was thinking that we should do something different, but more realistically, from my point of view as a white person, an anti-racism week could last just one week and perhaps I would feel satisfied. Consciously I recognized the utter importance of my being involved in the fight against racism; unconsciously my white privilege speaks loud and clear. It is my privilege to have racism be just another issue; many people cannot share in that privilege. For some, every week is a struggle to end racism (whether they want it to be or not).

To believe that racism exists on campus, I need only to look at myself; that is the place where my fight against racism must begin.

On March 21, 1960, in Sharpeville, South Africa, police opened fire without provocation, killing and wounding scores of unarmed peaceful demonstrators against apartheid known as the Sharpeville massacre. In 1966 the nee Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in 21 as the International Day for the Elimination of awareness on campus that racial discrimination sti

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Felicita's pub in the Student Union Buil tions. On March 21, approximately 200 came to the doors of the pub, intending as they had marched through several bu Club. Before any words were exchange their heads "no way" behind closed gla

A demonstrator approached the doo diately, without explanation, the answe it." The bouncers then stated that witho government issued i.d.) they couldn't le was obvious that no one was going to b ers requested, identification was pro-

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NTI-RACISM WEEK

o Those Who Wondered Why March 21 is Important

by Tara Matszuaki

eid. The world's eyes were opened wide, shocked at the racist regime's horrifying actions, which became eed to end all racial discrimination was a United Nation's priority. March 21 was declared the International in commemoration of the tragedy at Sharpeville. On March 6 of this year the UVic Senate approved March f Racism at UVic. The rally and march were held on this day to recognize the past struggles, and to create still exists in the world and at UVic.

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Personal Experience with Racism

by Mahroona Ghani

I was a speaker at a forum held March 19 along with Prince Nallo, Dr. Gira Bhatt, Sonia Manak, and Gwen Bridge discussing Racism within Academia. Each person spoke on their personal experiences with racism on campus. Sonia Manak provided a summary of a report that was done for the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour, which outlined many personal experiences of people of colour within Academia.

I found the forum to be very empowering for me as a speaker and a listener. To hear others' experiences with racism validated my own experiences and established a bond of support that I felt I needed.

I was able to address many issues that have affected me on a personal level. I focused on three areas: my background; an oultine of some the racist incidences that have occured in the the community and where I work; and the steps of action I have taken to help me deal with racism.

In order for others to understand my experiences, I felt it was important for people to identify with who I am as a person, and the location that I come from. I am a Muslim, born and raised in Canada. My ethnic background is Pakistani, Indian and Kenyan. I feel my identity is Canadian but I have strong cultural links to Pakistan, India and Kenya. Additionally, I have a strong religious identity, as a Muslim in Islam. All of these factors determine my identity and location as an individual.

Currently, I am working full time for the provincial government and studying part-time at UVic. Because I'm a part-time student, I feel it is more relevant for me to discuss my experiences with racism in the community of Victoria and at work, rather than in Academia. I would like to state, however, that racism does exist within Academia, as I have encountered it in a number of classes; but, I would like to outline that racism is not just limited to campus life but in fact, it is a daily part of my life.

In Golden, the racism was easy to identify because it was overt. When I moved to the city, I found the racism to be more subtle. I'm not sure which is worse: the open racism or the hidden racism. The first racist incident I remember was when I was seven years old – a group of older white children formed a circle around my sister and I and called us "Hindus" and made fun of our names – we felt powerless, trapped and afraid.

There are many incidents of subtle racism in the community. When I wear my ethnic clothes to work I am complimented on my wonderful "costume," as if I have decked myself out for Halloween at the wrong time of year, or I am celebrating some mysterious but quaint ceremony. I also get targeted every year for International Women's Day with requests for me to wear my littler special costume. I could go on and on. But I will relay one final incident, during an Employment Equity survey we were filling out, a white male Director made a homophobic remark in front of the Employment Equity Advisor. I looked to her hoping she would say something, anything to enlighten this individual, because her role was to create a safe space for all people. She said nothing. Later I approached her and said it was her responsibility to address this comment; I also asked her what she would have done if he had made a racist comment. She was embarrassed but felt powerless because he was a "Director" and he had power over us. Once again I felt as powerless as that seven-year-old girl did.

As you can imagine, racism constantly eats away at a person, and in order to survive with your self-worth intact you must learn to deal with it in a positive way. My way of dealing with racism has been to take action by forming support groups. In government, a group of people formed the BC Government Visible Minority Association. This group's focus is to ensure that the existing hiring policies provide people of colour with an equal chance for employment opportunities. It is also a place where we can discuss our experiences with racism. This helps me to realize that I am not alone in fighting hate amongst co-workers. In the academic environment, a Women of Colour Collective was formed to help students and faculty deal with racist incidents on campus. This collective is a place for self-identified women of colour to discuss and advocate support with various issues. Through this collective we work towards ensuring that an anti-racism agenda is created within various organizations with which we choose to build coalitions. If you have faced similar incidents, I encourage you to get involved by taking action through support groups.

It is important that each of us take the responsibility to educate ourselves about racism, to learn about the background and location of an individual before placing a prejudice on that person, to speak out against stereotypes and attitudes of people, and to focus on the source of our education. It is crucial that Academia recognizes that no longer is there a homogenous group of people with Eurocentric thoughts receiving an education. We are now a diverse group of people and it is time that direct action takes place within Academia towards the education we all receive.

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The Most Creative & Adventurous Travel Book Ever
International Speaker GIL WHITE Back by Popular Demand
Europe on 84¢ a day
REVISED EDITION

White gives cheap tips for travel

by Calinda Brown

Europe on 84¢ a day
by Gil White
Best Book Manufacturers, 1995

The school year is over, and while many of us are contemplating summer employment, others have their sights set a little further off. If this is the case for you, this book could help you find your way there.

Although the blurb on the cover proclaims "The Most Creative & Adventurous Travel Book Ever" *Europe on 84¢ a day* is much more than just a list of tourist sights and travel schedules. Its author, Gil White, has clearly shows us his style of traveling: a mixture of trust, adventure and nerve.

White advocates sleeping in homes, hitch-hiking and working for food as a few of the money-saving ideas that can make travelling in Europe affordable for anyone.

He encourages travellers to get off the beaten track and meet people instead of seeing sights. He definitely isn't part of the "Been there, done that" crowd.

The title of the book isn't completely accurate, and it isn't meant to be. White picked a day at random out of his diary when he had spent as cheaply as possible and used that total.

It is the spirit behind travelling as a backpacker that he is really trying to communicate, not how to travel the farthest for the least amount of money.

There are the traditional

White picked a day at random out of his diary when he had spent as cheaply as possible and used that total.

sections on youth hostels, tourist must-sees, and visa requirements, but there are also many other sections particular to backpackers.

"A New Dimension in Traveling" lists all the methods of hitch-hiking White has used over the years to get from point A to point B, free. He also explains hitch-hiker etiquette, such as staying awake and talking to your driver no matter the language barrier.

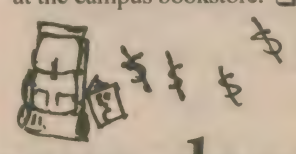
The section on free accommodation has fewer options, although some of the ideas including staying in staff rooms at hotels or in police cells certainly don't come up in other travel guides.

The section about money and how to exchange it without paying a premium is the shortest section in the book, but the most useful for any traveler. White cautions against black market money exchange, but has some novel ideas including exchanging currencies at border crossings with other backpackers. He suggests clipping exchange-rate tables out of newspapers every few days so you always have a general idea of what currencies are worth.

Europe on 84¢ a day first hit bookstores in 1981. This is an updated version with new maps, prices and visa requirements. Using 1995 prices, White estimates the cost of his 1981 trip at $2,300 – so his ideas really do pay off.

He even focuses a little on the special circumstances of women traveling and has a few recommendations on safe hitch-hiking, what to pack and who to travel with.

For only $14.95, this book is a bargain on all levels and is available at the campus bookstore. ❑



Great Big Sea turn Vertigo into a deranged barn dance

by Mike Chilton

Great Big Sea
March 30, 1996
Vertigo

Last Saturday, Vertigo played host to one of the most electrifying up-and-coming party bands in Canada, Great Big Sea.

Their music, mostly a traditional Celtic mix on their two CD releases, is also blended live with pop, rock, and reggae/ska style, so their two sets and one encore created an insanely festive atmosphere in the otherwise cavernous and sterile club environment.

With the oversized dance floor packed to the limit right from the get-go, the whole evening resembled a deranged barn dance. I don't even want to venture a guess as to the amount of glassware that ended up broken on the floor by the show's end.

The party atmosphere reached such a climax that there were as many people dancing and making merry to the canned music between sets as there were when the band played.

Another solid set later and the crowd was exhausted from all the dancing. The odd drunk fools forcing their way through the crowd and making general nuisances of themselves didn't even bother me. I guess that's one advantage of a gigantic dance floor.

Show highlights were "The Old Black Rum," the current single "Mari-Mac" from their new album *Up*, and their smokin' version of the traditional foot-stomper "Good Ol' Boys" from their first CD.

As if the intensity was not high enough after the album favourites (mostly traditional Celtic tunes) were performed, every so often the Newfoundland power troupe would turn it up another notch and perform such cover favourites as REM's "It's the End of the World As We Know It (And I Feel Fine)" and the now-infamous Slade cover, "Run Runaway."

The finalé consisted of two songs, one featuring a cover medley that included snippets from the Doors, the Bee Gees, and the Police (as if there were any doubt remaining as to this group's performing prowess).

What made this show exceptional was that for a band I had looked forward to seeing since hearing of the show, I saw very little of the band with all the jigging, reeling and general foot-stomping.

When the dust settled, I was pretty certain it's at small-venue shows that I get most of my exercise. I was also certain that I am not going to miss Great Big Sea the next time they come to town. ❑

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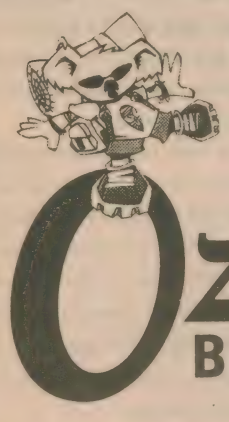

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Band-aids a must for radishes and kitties in drag

by Calinda Brown

Costumes for your Cat
by Lynn Chang
Chronicle Books, 1995

How to draw a radish and other fun things to do at work
by Joy Sikorski
Chronicle Books, 1995

There is one essential supply neither author of these books mentions: band-aids.

After only one "fitting" for her costume, my cat left me with a wicked scratch and no subject to test Lynn Chang's designs on.

My cat did not share Chang's belief that domestic cats should have the opportunity to practice their camouflage skills in the urban world by dressing up like Lucille Ball or the Easter Bunny.

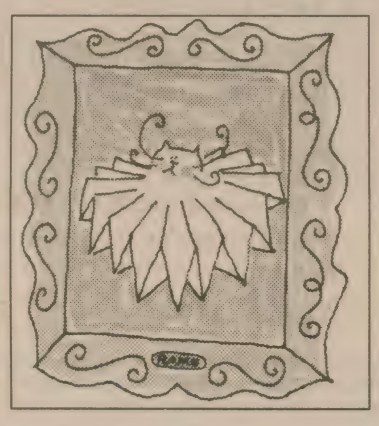
There are fifteen costumes in this book to try out on your cat, divided into five categories: Holidays, Talent Show, Period Costumes, Sock Costumes and TV Extravaganza.

Chang has included her own drawings of the costumes to help prospective costumers find the proper look. A handy measuring chart is provided so each costume fits just so - if your cat will stand still long enough to be measured.

The only costume my cat began to like was the 1970s Hip Cat. She played with the love beads I looped around her neck for hours, but disdained to try to an afro wig. And she only managed to watch five minutes of *Saturday Night Fever* before she fell asleep.

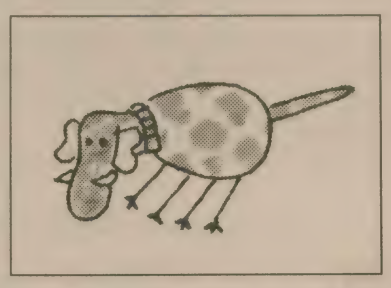
So now I'm looking for a macho cat to try the CHiPs costume on.

I really wanted to try the Elephant Walking Backwards under the sock costume category, but realized if an afro wig wasn't an option, a sock with big gray felt ears definitely wouldn't happen.



So now I'm looking for a macho cat to try the CHiPs costume on. Yes, there is a complete California Highway Patrol costume, with sunglasses and gun belt. How could anyone resist? It also includes liberal use of mousse and hairdryer to mimic Erik Estrada's hairdo. But this time I'll remember the band-aids.

Papercuts are the main reason you'll need band-aids when you read *How to draw a radish*. The definitive book on procrastination, it has hundreds of ways to avoid work. Most of them involve paper, and band-aids are a must if you want to keep drops of blood off your artwork.



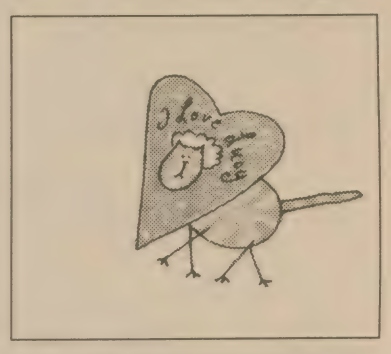
Joy Sikorski gives 79 drawing lessons throughout her book, starting with the simple wren and concluding with how to draw really, really little people. But drawing is only one of the options for the motivationally-challenged.

There are lessons on how to create windowpanes out of a huge expanse of glass, earrings out of tape and paper bag kites.

Sikorski also includes hints on answering the telephone (cluck like a chicken) or tips on creating office harmony by all gathering for a "Departmental Scream".

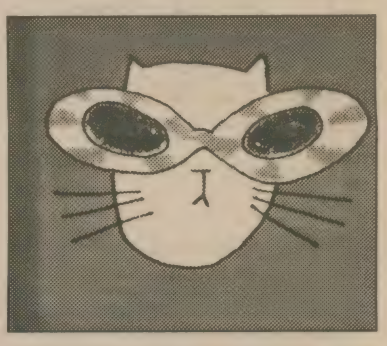
Sikorski even has instructions for tying the perfect bow tie, so that if you ever work in an office with Pierre Berton you'll have something to talk about.

And environmentalism creeps into even the most light-hearted book. Sikorski gives instructions



on how to create an air quality reminder: using the simple wren drawing you perfected back on page one, add the variation of a dead simple wren. On good air quality days, you cover up the dead wren with a Post-it note, and move it over the "perky" wren when someone uses too much White-Out.

This book will prove indispensable to anyone stuck in an office this summer, dreaming about the beach. ❑



Diet Cool Whip is more interesting than *Now!*

by Meesha-chan Grubisic

Now!
Various Artists
EMI Music Canada

Instead of being called *Now!*, this CD compilation should be called *Why?* It is a collection of bad-ass, mainstream, lite as diet Cool Whip 'Party in the House' club music. It combines the low-ridin' monotonous drone of Coolio's "Gangsta's Paradise," Blessed Union of Soul's thinly-veiled religious hymn "I Believe," and to be alternative, Weezer's Buddy Holly and "A Girl Like You," by Edwyn Collins.

Some of the 'artists' featured on this little number are Paula Abdul, Janet Jackson, Selena, Shaggy, Babylon Zoo, Everything But the Girl and Goo Goo Dolls.

Simply, it's bad. But, if you want that smokey, sweaty, 'I've just gotta dance' (to bad club music) feeling, this is just the CD. And, it even comes with a *Now!* sticker. ❑

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Do you support a mandatory health plan for graduate students, beginning September 1996?

YES ☐
NO ☐

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4)Death and dismemberment	$2.76	$2.76
Total	$94.87	$228.35

The above costs do not include a local administrative fee, which could add approximately $3.00 to the fee. For more information, come to the Grad. Centre. There will be an information desk in the lobby, Thursday, April 10 and Friday, April 11. Question and answer sessions will take place Thursday April 10, 1:00pm, Friday April 11, 4:00pm in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Fencers foil competition to getting to the point at provincials

by Mike Chilton

The UVic fencing club played to the BC Provincial Fencing Championships over the March 23 and 24 weekend at the Gordon Head Complex gymnasium, and the UVic contingent enjoyed impressive finishes in three of the four events over the two days of competition.

Saturday's competition featured the men's and women's foils. In the men's portion of the competition, UVic's David Meers snagged what would be the first of two first-place finishes for the university club on the weekend. Meers beat UBC's Morgan Burke to take the top honor. Other notable UVic finishes in the men's foil were Pierre Smith in seventh place, Conan Phelan in eighth, Brian Budenski 16th, and Edward Chapin 20th (out of 27 fencers in the category).

Later that day the women's foil competition took place, with only seven competitors in the category, and no UVic fencers. Magda Krol from Vancouver's Vanguard Club finished first over Greater Victoria's Monica Chapin.

In Sunday's portion of the competition it was time for the épée categories to take the spotlight.

...the UVic contingent enjoyed impressive finishes in three of the four events...

In men's épée, UVic's Miko Ross, who had not been competing for almost two years, overcame breathing difficulties in his semi-final match just in time to take the bout 15-14. Ross took the gold in the final match of the competition beating out North Vancouver Fencing Club's Farooq Habib. Ross was the only UVic competitor in the 17-person field.

Finally, the provincial championships wrapped up that afternoon with the women's épée competition, which involved 17 competitors, two of which are from UVic. UVic's Hana duTemple lost out in the final to Vanguard's Magda Krol, who completed the gold medal sweeeep with the win.

It didn't make it on the printed page that often, but this one has to. It's...

The Final Martlet Hockey Pool Results of the Year!!

as of Tuesday, April 2

Final ranking	points	Final Ranking	points	Final Ranking	points
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2. SCOTT MANNING	998	14. DAINA BRONS	934	26. MURRAY ANDERSON	868
3. BEN HARRISON	992	15. RANDY QUAST	934	27. JAMIE GENGE	863
4. JEFF STEWART	984	16. WEST MUNDY	934	28. DARRYL SKENDER	851
5. COLIN DUNCANSON	984	17. PANO SKRIVANOS	931	29. JASON LAKE	850
6. LUCAS AYKROYD	974	18. PATRICK McCAULEY	927	30. SCOTT ALLEN	845
7. JOHN LYALL	967	19. GEORGE PRINGLE	902	31. D. TAZ	834
8. PAUL CLARKSTON	963	20. PAUL PATTERSON	901	32. DEAN CHAN	829
9. JAMES J. SCHLICHTER	956	21. MAGNUS THYVOLD	900	33. JENNIFER ORR	829
10. DAVID LOCKSTEND	954	22. JASON HOLLAND	899	34. BYRON KERR	820
11. ROBERT FONTANA	954	23. RICHARD ELLIOT	879	35. JENNIFER BOYLE	804
12. SEAN EVANS	944	24. CRAIG LLOYD	878	Dead fu**in last -- MIKE CHILTON	

In Person Pick-Up

STATEMENT OF GRADES WINTER SESSION 95/96

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(Including Telephone Registration Guide & Timetable)

PACKAGE

WHY? Records Services is offering this option for students who would prefer to come in-person instead of the customary method of receiving this documentation in the mail.

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Scenes from the first annual Martlet road hockey playoffs. Red-hot Martleteers rookie, Mike "the Flightless Rocket" Chilton, checks hard against cheeky ex-UVSS veteran Miko "Feet of Stone" Ross in the first game of the series (top). In the fourth game of the playoffs, the goaltender gave it up for a lost cause. Showing he is a regular hockey renaissance man, Chilton takes over at goal to let in many more shots (bottom). The best-of seven series was stopped after game four when it started to rain.

Andrew "Lumpy" Lupton photo

In game two, enforcer Calinda "Bruiser" Brown took to the court and showed everyone why the Martleteers can kick some serious asphalt.

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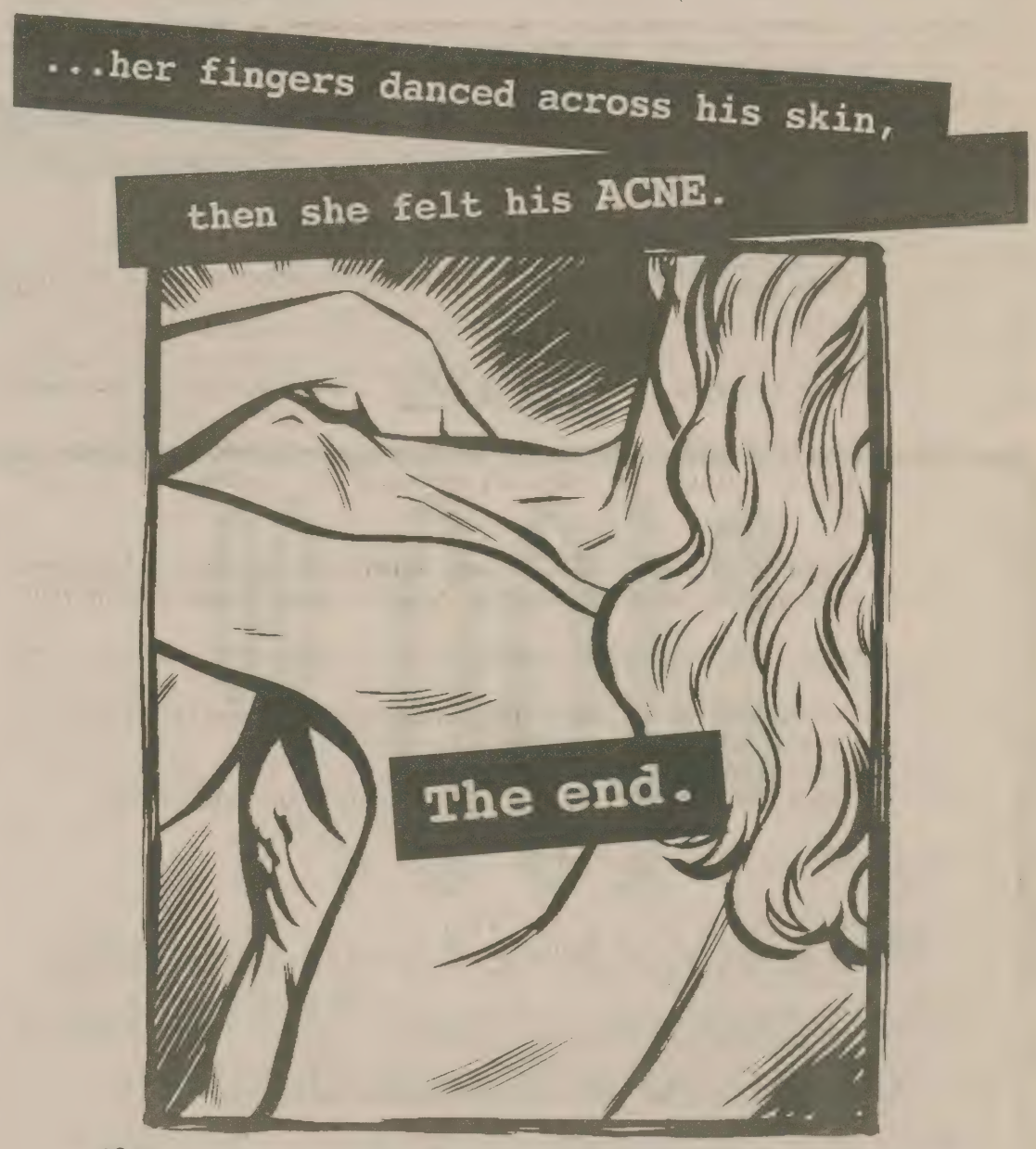

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• April 4 •

The UVic Film Society & Film Studies Course Union present the final **free** screening of the year! **Cinema Paradiso**, 7:00pm at the David Lam Auditorium. Someone will win the Star Wars Trilogy on video!!

The Limit presents Cracker (ex Camper Van Beethoven) plus Pluto. Tickets are $14, available at Lyle's, Zydeco and HMV. April 5: Bass is Bass plus Dr. Tongue & Camille Miller. April 6: Sandbox and the Barstool Prophets. Doors open at 9pm, cost TBA.

• Easter Weekend •

EASTER WEEKEND NOTICE Every year chicks, ducks and rabbits end up in the hands of youngsters on Easter morning. Some youngsters soon lose interest in these tiny creatures. In the end many of these young animals die from injuries or abandonment. Please help to keep these animals in their natural environments. **Thank you, the S.P.C.A.**

Don't forget to **spring forward** your clocks this weekend!

• April 10 •

Dr. Bruce Ward, professor of Religious Studies at Laurentian University, will speak on **"Modern Science and Divine Providence in Dostoevsky's The Brothers Karamazov,"** 2:30pm, CLE A201

Canada-Taiwan scholarship program. The Taipei economic and cultural office in Canada is offering full scholarships to Canadians to undertake Mandarin language training in Taiwan in the 96/97 academic year. **April 10** is the application deadline. For info contact Ms. Susanne Morrisette, Administrative Assistant to International Programs, Associate of Universities & Colleges of Canada, Rm. 600, 350 Albert St., Ottawa, Ont., K1R 1B1. Ph. 613-563-1236. Fax 613-563-9745. E-mail smorriss@VCC.ca

• April 13 •

The Newcombe Singers Spring Centennial Choral Presentation is happening at 7:30pm at Centennial United Church, 649 Gorge Rd. East. Tickets are $5/$7. For info call 658-8925 or 386-1594.

• April 16 •

Dr. Jay Newman, Philosophy professor at U of Guelph, will lecture on **"Religious Criticism of Television,"** 2:30pm, University Centre, A180.

• April 19 •

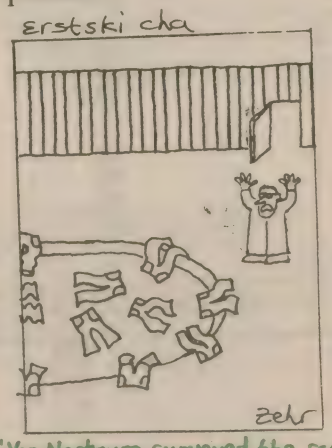
Today is the deadline for registering for **A trip to Vancouver!** Come relieve your stress with the A.I.C.S. "crazy gang" as we tour the SFU and UBC campuses by day, and explore the city by night. The $45 cost includes transport (bus & ferry), lunch at SFU and accommodation at a youth hostel. Depart on April 27, return Sunday the 28 Info: 721-6419.

• Ongoing •

November 13, 1996, is the date of this year's UVic Women's Conference. The title, **Common Ground: Uncommon People**, reflects the diversity of women in their roles, beliefs, ages and experiences. The conference will acknowle the contribution of women (students, staff and faculty) within UVic. The awards committee will accept formal nominations at the start of the fall term. Anyone interested in participating in conference planning can contact Carel Wilkin at 384-3559 or Denise Lunger at local 7939.

Suddenly Dance Theatre is sponsoring Victoria's first independent modern dance festival on May 31 and June 1 at the Planet Theatre. Individual choreographers have the opportunity and freedom to present their own work in a non-juried festival. For info call Lori Hamar, 388-0600.

Art Apart. Vancouver artist Nancy Yakimoski and Saskatchewan artist Richelle D Funk have collaborated on an intriguing, innovative & interactive mixed-media (photos/maps/poetry) exhibit on display in the Graduate Student Centre Lounge until April 26.



Dr 'Von Nostrum surveyed the scene in frozen horror... Something had gone terribly wrong with the gene pool experiment.

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STOLEN: Classical guitar built by Joe Poshek. Taken from the music school, February 12 at approximately 4pm. Any information about this heinous crime would be appreciated. Call *the Martlet*, 721-8360.

LOST: My mother's tiny gold watch/metal expanding band, in SUB washroom during international woman's week (March 4-8). Sentimental Value. Reward. 721-9328

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• After this week, I gottatellya, I need to steal that Parisienne.

• ah, cherise...our last message. I'll miss teasing you in 7000 places every week. always, dahling.

• precious, aren't you getting tired of it all. i know i am. perhaps we could be one with nature soon.

• have you seen that vigilante man?

• kiya, that goddess of darkness walked over to genie with glee. fuck, what's with the glee lately? you'd think she would be acting closer to her reputation.

• fargo. fargo. fargo. you rock my fucking world. xoxo yer human mama.

• dear loud chicken R.A. Thanx for listening to my mad rantings.

•Frog-Frog, hertzliche glück-wunch -- küssen, Spike.

Letters

Continued from page 7

A word to the PC

Editors:

The following message is for those politically correct idiots who put up those wonderful and enlightening anti-racism signs all over campus: How fucking dare you suggest that white people are racists. If you make this inference, you yourself are a racist. If you refer to yourself or others as People Of Colour, that is also racist. I have "white" skin; white is a colour. Therefore, I am a person of colour as well, and to single out me or anyone else with a similar skin colour/shade/whatever as being different from People Of Colour is similar to digging out the "White" and "Coloured" signs that used to decorate Highway 61 gas station shitters in Mississippi.

By the way, in reference to the poster telling us White Bigots not to talk about visiting a country that some poor expatriate may not be able to afford to return to: let's extend that logic. You therefore should not talk to me about your visit to my hometown of Kamloops, because I can't fucking afford to go back and visit either!!! I'm sick to death of you self-righteous anal PC types who point the finger at anyone other than yourselves, and I sincerely wish you would go and fornicate yourselves.

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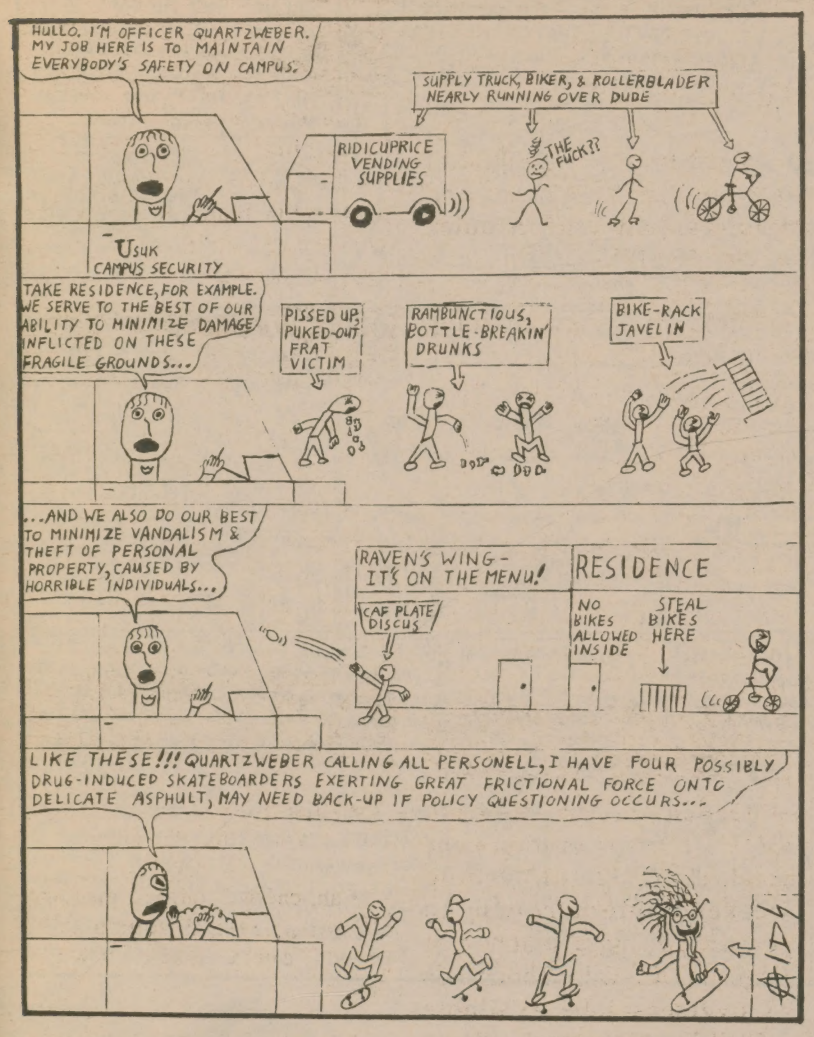
HULLO. I'M OFFICER QUARTZWEBER. MY JOB HERE IS TO MAINTAIN EVERYBODY'S SAFETY ON CAMPUS.
SUPPLY TRUCK, BIKER, & ROLLERBLADER NEARLY RUNNING OVER DUDE
RIDICUPRICE VENDING SUPPLIES
THE FUCK??
USUK CAMPUS SECURITY
TAKE RESIDENCE, FOR EXAMPLE. WE SERVE TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY TO MINIMIZE DAMAGE INFLICTED ON THESE FRAGILE GROUNDS...
PISSED UP, PUKED-OUT FRAT VICTIM
RAMBUNCTIOUS, BOTTLE-BREAKIN' DRUNKS
BIKE-RACK JAVELIN
...AND WE ALSO DO OUR BEST TO MINIMIZE VANDALISM & THEFT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY, CAUSED BY HORRIBLE INDIVIDUALS...
RAVEN'S WING - IT'S ON THE MENU!
RESIDENCE
CAF PLATE DISCUS
NO BIKES ALLOWED INSIDE
STEAL BIKES HERE
LIKE THESE!!! QUARTZWEBER CALLING ALL PERSONELL, I HAVE FOUR POSSIBLY DRUG-INDUCED SKATEBOARDERS EXERTING GREAT FRICTIONAL FORCE ONTO DELICATE ASPHULT, MAY NEED BACK-UP IF POLICY QUESTIONING OCCURS...
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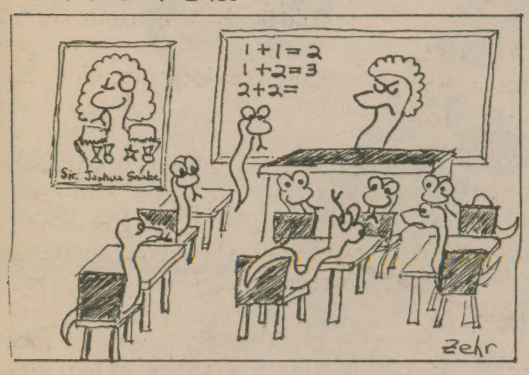

Harry often feigned molting during math class.

PART FIFTEEN
THE NIPPLE 4
SEASON FINALE
THIS BIG OAF COULDN'T MESMERISE A FLY!
Oh?
THEN WHY ARE YOUR FRIENDS TRANSFIXED
OUR DAYS ARE DONE! EVEN THE NIPPLE FOUR HAVE BEEN MESMERISED.
BLUB
BLUB
HU?
BLUB
BLUB
NO
YES. IT IS I...
THE SEA LION!
I HAVE RETURNED FROM MY WATERY GRAVE TO HAVE MY VENGEANCE ON YOU ALL! NO LONGER WILL I BE AN OBSCURE VILLAIN WITH NO DEFINITE PLAN. YOU ALL WILL DIE!
SO THIS IS WHERE WE WILL PAUSE, LOYAL N4 READERS. THE NIPPLE FOUR SHALL BE BACK NEXT AUTUMN AND WE WILL SEE THE OUTCOME OF THIS CHILLING CLIFF-HANGER. BUT LET US NOW TAKE A MINUTE TO REFECT ON THE CHARACTERS' LIVES:
HERE IS THE SITUATION.
FASHION PLATE IS STILL DEVILISHLY HANDSOM BUT HAS YET TO USE HIS SUPER-HUMAN CHARM TO ANY USEFUL END. HE HAS RECENTLY STARTED A 100% YOGHOURT DIET. GOOD LUCK F.P.!
IRON FIST STILL HAS NO CONTROL OVER THE STRENGTH OF HIS RIGHT HAND BUT HE HAS JUST DONATED SOME POWER COMPONENTS FROM HIS HAND TO HELP REBUILD THE ROBOTIC DUCK THAT HE BROKE IN PART FIVE. HOPE IT WORKS
MEANWHILE, AQUA BREATH HAS INVESTED IN A HABATCH!! HIS DINNERS HAVE BEEN DELICIOUS! CAJUN BRATWURST FOR EVERYONE. YUM! YUM! PEOPLE HAVE ALMOST FORGOTTEN THAT HE STILL CAN'T SWIM.
NIGHT VISION IS STILL TEAM LEADER AND STILL OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE N4'S ROLE IN THE WORLD. "SOON", HE SAYS, "ALL OUR DOGS WILL HAVE THEIR DAYS." WE HOPE SO TOO.
BOOTCH UCK HAS BEEN ACHING THE MOST FOR A LITTLE ACTION. HE IS GLAD DEEP-DOWN THAT THE SEA LION HAS ATTACKED. AT LEAST IT BREAKS THE MONOTONY.
HEY
PATRICIA PESKY, THE REPORTER, NOW HAS HER BIG STORY. VENGANCE, BETRAYAL, MARINE MAMMALS. ALL ELEMENTS NEEDED IN A GOOD STORY. IF SHE CAN GET OUT ALIVE, HER FUTURE IS SET.
OF COURSE DR. NIP IS STILL JUST AS WISE, BUT HIS IDEAS ARE STILL JUST AS BAD. HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ROBOTIC DUCK FIASCO NEXT YEAR.
RACKO'S HAIR IS GETTING OUT OF CONTROL.
SO IS HE.
THE GIANT MESMERISER IS A METAPHOR. BUT FOR WHAT?
WITH THE BODY OF A MAN AND THE HEAD OF A SEA LION, THIS VILLAIN IS A FORMITABLE FOE. BUT SEA LION'S PLAN IS FLAWED... HE WISHES TO BE A VALUED, RESPECTED BADGUY
BUT VIOLENCE IS NOT THE ANSWER
THE N4 THEME SONG:
WE ARE THE NIPPLE FOUR! WE HAVE
NIPPLES MORE! WE ARE THE NIPPLE FOUR! FOUR! FOUR! FOUR!
CHRIS BATEMAN 1996
SEE YOU ALL SOON WITH "THE NIPPLE FOUR, PART 16: (COLON) A NEW FRUSTRATION!" COMMING THIS FALL.

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WELL, I GUESS I SHOULD HAVE SOMETHING MEANINGFUL TO SAY, THIS BEING MY LAST ISSUE AND ALL, BUT I DON'T. SO...
SAUSAGE!
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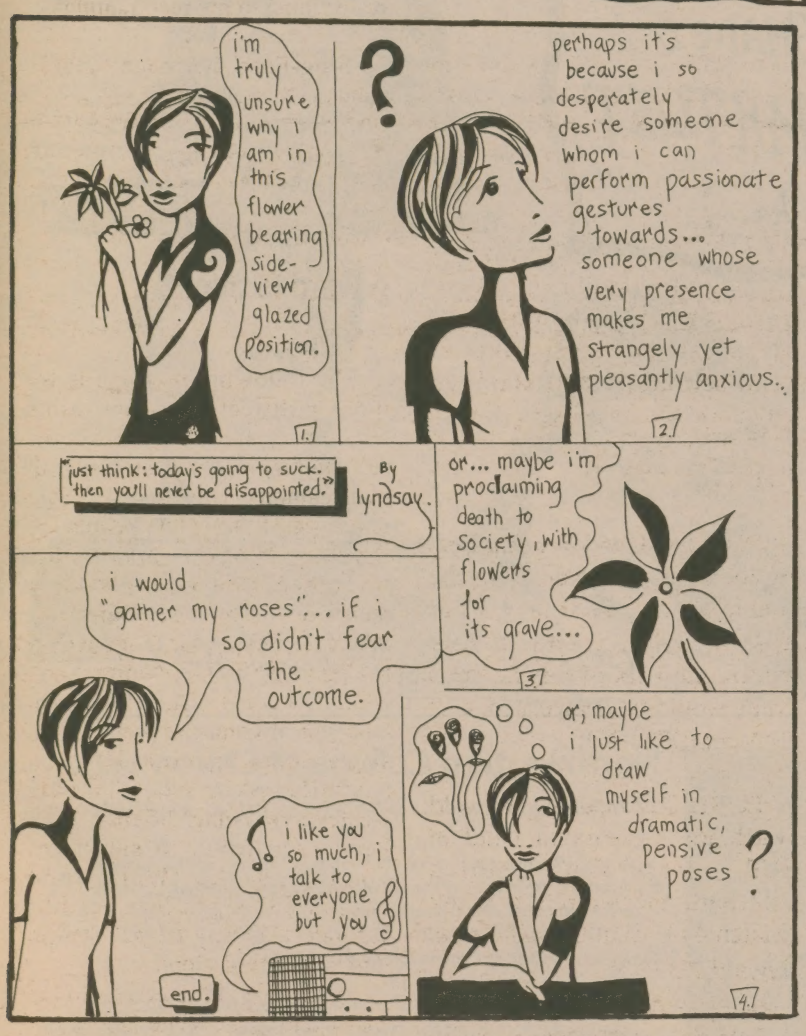
ALTERNATE CUT-LINE CHAMP:
"IAN FLEMINGTON GETS A LITTLE EARLY HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE."


i'm truly unsure why i am in this flower bearing side-view glazed position.
1.
perhaps it's because i so desperately desire someone whom i can perform passionate gestures towards... someone whose very presence makes me strangely yet pleasantly anxious..
2.
"just think: today's going to suck. then you'll never be disappointed."
By lyndsay.
or... maybe i'm proclaiming death to society, with flowers for its grave...
3.
i would "gather my roses"... if i so didn't fear the outcome.
or, maybe i just like to draw myself in dramatic, pensive poses
i like you so much, i talk to everyone but you
end.
4.

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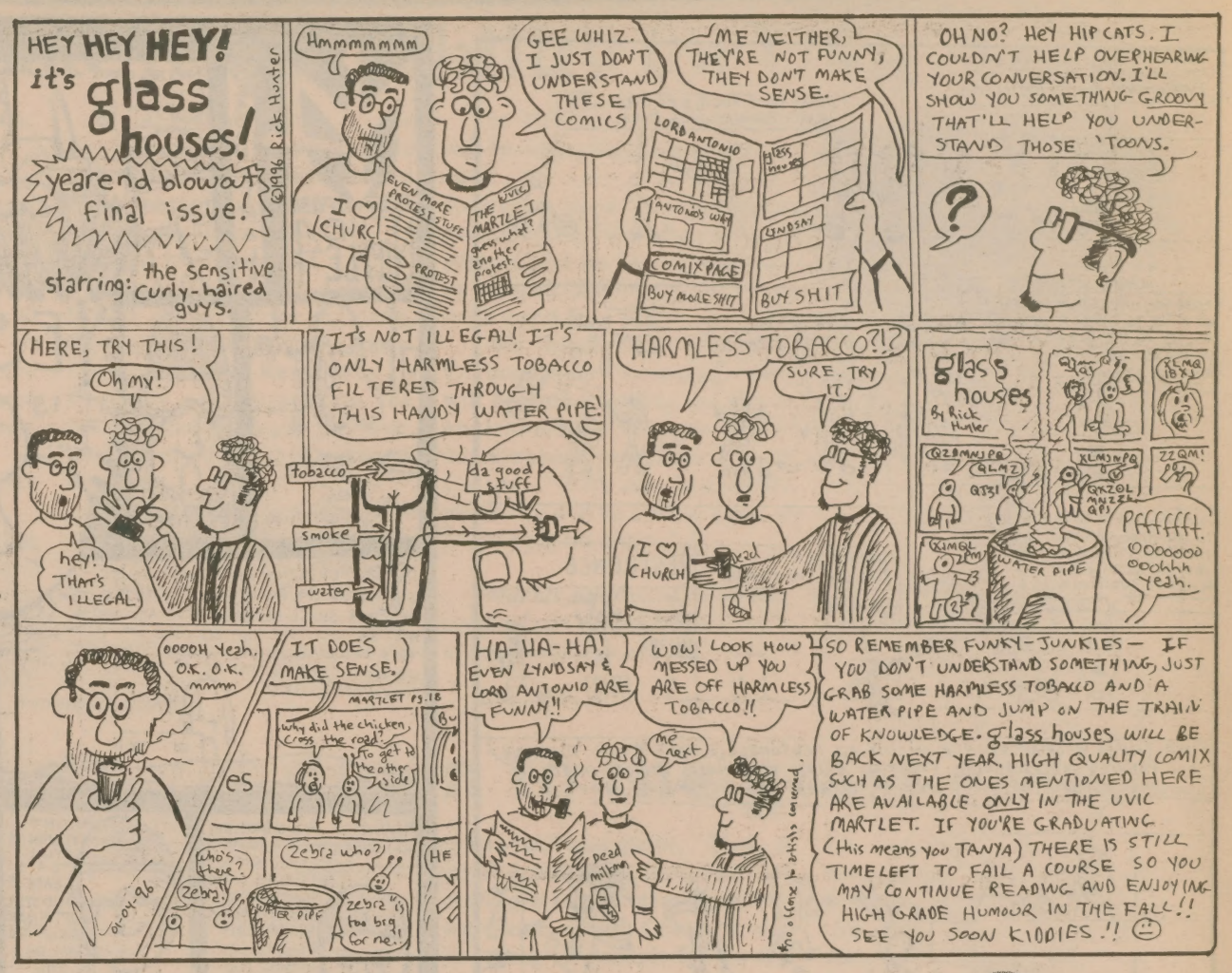
HEY HEY HEY! it's glass houses!
yearend blowout final issue!
starring: the sensitive curly-haired guys.
©1996 Rick Hunter
Hmmmmmm
GEE WHIZ. I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND THESE COMICS
I ♡ CHURCH
EVEN MORE PROTEST STUFF
THE MARTLET
PROTEST
ME NEITHER, THEY'RE NOT FUNNY, THEY DON'T MAKE SENSE.
LORD ANTONIO
ANTONIO'S WIFE
LYNDSAY
COMIX PAGE
BUY MORE SHIT
BUY SHIT
OH NO? HEY HIP CATS. I COULDN'T HELP OVERHEARING YOUR CONVERSATION. I'LL SHOW YOU SOMETHING GROOVY THAT'LL HELP YOU UNDERSTAND THOSE 'TOONS.
?
HERE, TRY THIS!
Oh my!
hey! THAT'S ILLEGAL
IT'S NOT ILLEGAL! IT'S ONLY HARMLESS TOBACCO FILTERED THROUGH THIS HANDY WATER PIPE!
tobacco
da good stuff
smoke
water
HARMLESS TOBACCO?!?
SURE. TRY IT.
I ♡ CHURCH
dead
glass houses By Rick Hunter
WATER PIPE
Pffffffft. Oooooooo oohhh yeah.
OOOOH Yeah. O.K. O.K. mmmm
IT DOES MAKE SENSE!
MARTLET pg.18
why did the chicken cross the road?
To get to the other side
Zebra who?
Who's there?
Zebra
Zebra is too big for me!
HA-HA-HA! EVEN LYNDSAY & LORD ANTONIO ARE FUNNY!!
WOW! LOOK HOW MESSED UP YOU ARE OFF HARMLESS TOBACCO!!
me next
dead mitten
SO REMEMBER FUNKY-JUNKIES— IF YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND SOMETHING, JUST GRAB SOME HARMLESS TOBACCO AND A WATER PIPE AND JUMP ON THE TRAIN OF KNOWLEDGE. glass houses WILL BE BACK NEXT YEAR. HIGH QUALITY COMIX SUCH AS THE ONES MENTIONED HERE ARE AVAILABLE ONLY IN THE UVIC MARTLET. IF YOU'RE GRADUATING (this means you TANYA) THERE IS STILL TIME LEFT TO FAIL A COURSE SO YOU MAY CONTINUE READING AND ENJOYING HIGH GRADE HUMOUR IN THE FALL!! SEE YOU SOON KIDDIES.!! ☺

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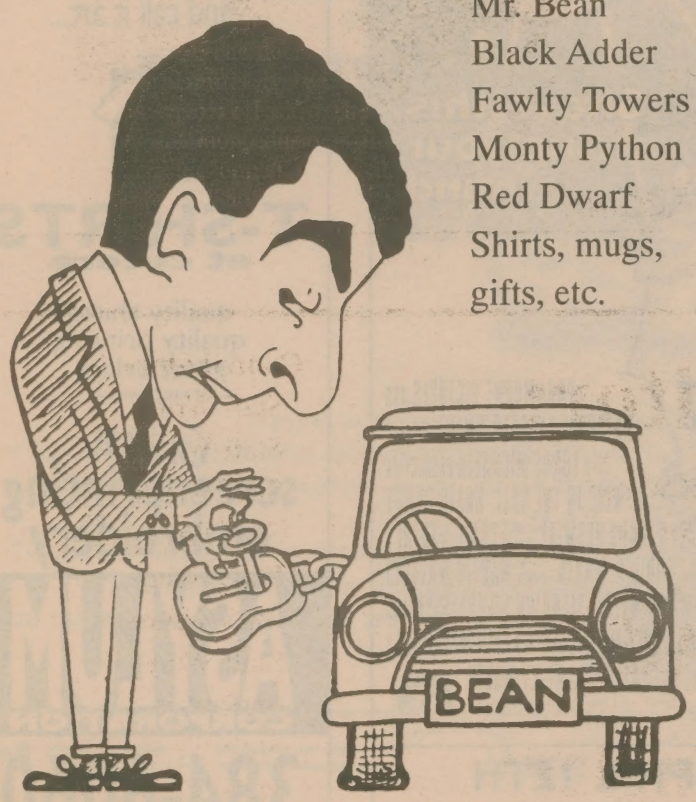

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Book Reviews

Bunnyburgers and massage to please pooch

Staff Writer

Pamper Your Pooch: How to Delight Your Dog -Practical Projects to Prove You Care
Photography by Jane Burton
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Lorenz Books
$19.95

If scoobie snacks aren't enough for your canine loved one, this is the book for you. It covers everything from "Pet Horoscopes," "How To Massage Your Dog," "Dog Fashions," to "Canine Cuisine."

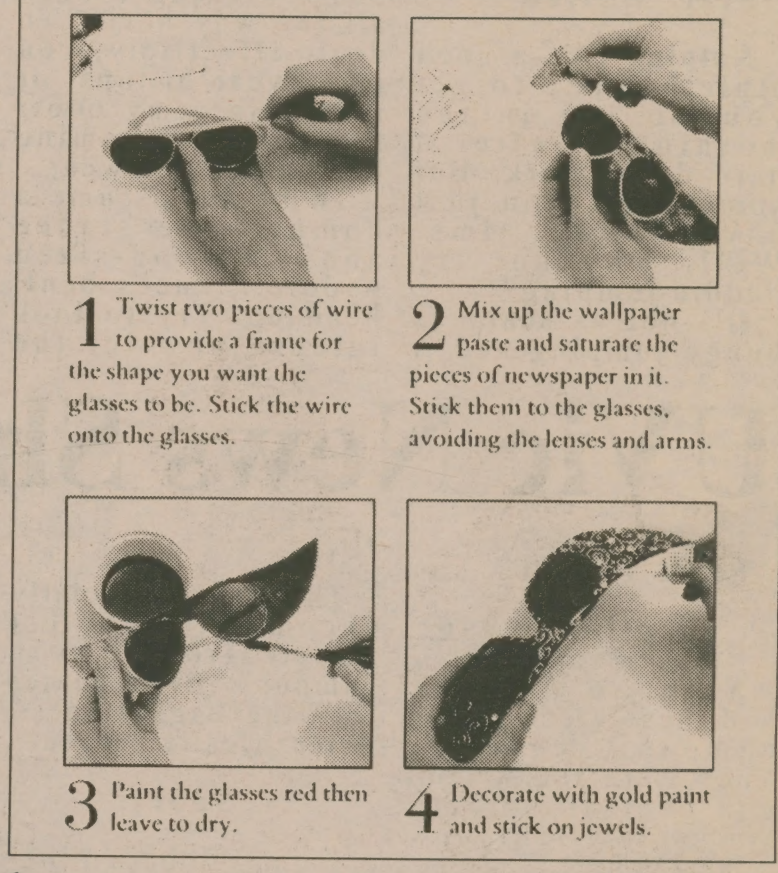
"It's an awesome book. My dog, Phoenix, really appreciates the recipes. I think his favourite so far has been "Bunnyburgers." But every now and again, I trick him into eating "Mediterranean madness." It's vegetarian, except for the dog biscuits," said a staff writer who is in partnership with Phoenix.

If scoobie snacks aren't enough for your canine loved one, this is the book for you.

If your pooch is prone to boredom the Entertaining section provides many "gregarious" party options for canine pals and perhaps a feline or two thrown in for good measure. If a party is in your plans then a visit to the beauty parlour section of this book is an absolute must because "every cute canine likes to look good as a matter of course."

"The horoscopes are for the most part bang-on. I tried it out on my dog who is an Aries, and holy cow, she really is active, lively and energetic," said Sam, an Arena staff writer.

This is an excellent book for both beginners and the most experienced dog owners.



1 Twist two pieces of wire to provide a frame for the shape you want the glasses to be. Stick the wire onto the glasses.

2 Mix up the wallpaper paste and saturate the pieces of newspaper in it. Stick them to the glasses, avoiding the lenses and arms.

3 Paint the glasses red then leave to dry.

4 Decorate with gold paint and stick on jewels.

Killer Tea Cosies fun for the whole family

Staff Writer

Killer Tea Cosies and How to Make Them
RainCoast Books
1996
$17.95

"Spike," "Floribunda," "Cat-a-Jekyll & Hyde-a-Cat," "Serpentia," "Little Ben," "Diva" and "Cyberpot" are just a few to choose from. Yes, these are detailed patterns for your very own killer tea cosy.

"I find the patterns and instructions straight-forward and easy to follow. It's a good book," said an Arena staff writer.

"Ive been looking around for a suitable tea cosy for my kitchen, you know, something colourful and funky, but department stores just don't cut it. Then I found this book. It's great. I made "Regina,'" said another Arena cosies staff writer.

"I thought I should start off with something simple because I'd never done anything like this. So I did "Little Ben." Wow, it was easy. I'm looking forward to the next one I do. I think it will be "Gladys," an Arena staff writer.

Killer Tea Cosies can be found at your local bookstore.

"Regina"

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Arena summer sports blow-out

Staff Writer

Nothing like a good athletic buzz to get you moving in the morning or after a hard day's work. But sometimes, you just haven't got time. Well, why not try puddle jumping?

It's not as scary as bungy jumping and it beats kicking a rock all the way home. To do it effectifely, you must wear hi-tops, or great big army boots like those screaming heebie-geebies wear.

To begin, assume a competitive stance above a good-sized puddle....knees bent, head up. Try to look intense now-let the puddle know who's in charge.

Take a grand leap into the centre of the puddle, land flat-footed for the maximum splash effect. Repeat until you run out of puddles or until muddy water starts to run down your socks and you feel to gross too continue.

Some people think puddle jumping is a silly sport but they have just not tried it. "It's really fun!" said a staff writer whose Reeboks were all muddy, "Just Do It!"

If puddle jumping sounds like a lame game to you, maybe try sound effects as you jump. "UUNNNNPH!" and ""EEEEAAAAAAAHHHH" work exceptionally well.

Tired of reading this? Go jump in a puddle.

UVic News Shorties

Staff Writer

Elections 1996

Yeah, so, like, we had these elections on campus recently? They were really cool and everything 'cuz you got to VOTE!

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Student Union Building construction coming along just nicely, thank you very much

Uh... Student Union Building construction coming along just nicely, thank you very much.

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Sports

I beat Bob in ping-pong the other day.

Theresa beat me afterwards, though, but I think she cheated.

That night we bet on the Grizzlies in the Grizzlies/Bulls game and lost. It was really annoying. I'm out $50.

Um...

Did you know it's hard to ski when there's no snow?

Uh... what else?

Oh yeah, the University's Women's Field Hockey team won something this year. I think it was something important.

The lottery?

Nah, couldn't have been the lottery. Must have been something else.

God, I wish I won the lottery.

I'll tell you something, if I won the lottery you wouldn't catch me working for a piece of shit publication like the Arena.

I think I'm going to go watch some TV.

Excellent! Days of Our Lives is on!

Ah, damn, they changed Bo again.

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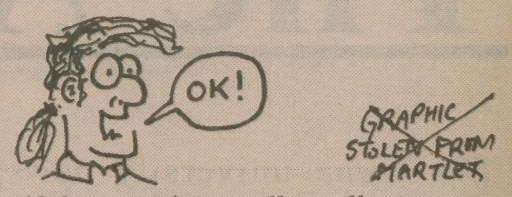

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